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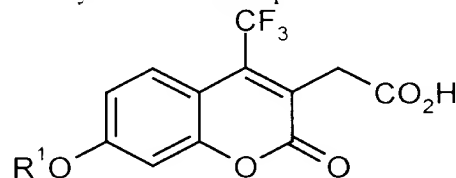
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Sir:

Preliminary to calculating filing fees and examining this application, please amend the application as follows:

Please cancel claims 1-9 and replace with new claims 10-20 as follows:

--10. An assay for testing for inhibitors of the enzyme CYP2C9 which comprises contacting the enzyme and a compound of formula (I):



(I)

wherein R<sup>1</sup> represents C<sub>1-2</sub>alkyl, with a test compound and measuring inhibition of O-dealkylation of the compound of formula (I) by the enzyme.

11. The assay according to claim 10 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is methyl.
12. The assay according to claim 10 wherein inhibition of